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Customer No. : 27752
Title : Disposable Absorbent Article Having Capacity to Store
: Low-Viscosity Fecal Material

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Commissioner for Patents
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Respectfully Submitted,

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